

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

memorandum

DATE: 7 March 1979

REPLY TO:
ATTN OF: Chairman, Computer Security
Sub-Committee
SUBJECT: Proposed Change in DCID 1/11

Serial: T4/084/79

TO: Members, Computer Security Sub-Committee

1. As discussed at our meeting on 28 February 1979, I would like to have your organization's official position on the proposed change to the DCID 1/11 charter which was distributed at the 24 January 1979 meeting in writing by 15 March 1979. If, for any reason, it is not possible to provide this by 15 March, I would appreciate a written note stating when you expect to have such a position.

2. As I stated at the 28 February meeting, I realize that a simple yes/no answer may not be forthcoming but I would like to determine what your organization's views are on extending the role of the sub-committee to the computer security aspects of intelligence data handled by computer message switches and processing systems. If the position is that this should be done, but that the wording changes to DCID 1/11 need to be different from those proposed, please provide ideas for the charter change. However, I would urge that you give maximum consideration to the change proposed because of its simplicity. I am sure you are all well aware of how painful major re-writes of DCID's are.

3. If your organization's position is that telecommunication computer security functions should not be added to our charter, I would also appreciate your views on where this responsibility should lie, such as other DCI Committees or the proposed revived United States Communications Security Board (USCSB).

4. I look forward to discussing this at our meeting on March 22.

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cc: Executive Secretary
Security Committee



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